

ton, Scott, Farrow, Ranger, Canby, Griffith, Rawlings, Atkinson, Sprigg, Brooke, Brown, Rinehart, Lamotte, Waters, of Car'l., Donaldson, Barnard Browning—53.

The Speaker submitted the following message from his Excellency, the Governor :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

Annapolis, March 10th, 1876.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates of Maryland :

I herewith transmit to you a series of resolutions received from the Executive of the State of Wisconsin, relating to a Consolidated Official Centennial Directory of the General and several State Governments of the United States of America, to which you will, no doubt, give proper consideration.

JOHN LEE CARROLL.

STATE OF WISCONSIN,

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

Madison, March 4th, 1876.

Sir :—I have the honor to inform you that the Legislature of this State has adopted the following

JOINT RESOLUTION No. 5.

Relating to a Consolidated Official Centennial Directory of the General and several State Governments of the United States of America.

WHEREAS, The year 1876, being the Centennial of American Independence, in order to keep pace with the spirit of the times, and more especially with the spirit of this our Centennial year, and for the purpose of placing here a landmark of our national progress, which shall cement more closely the ties of a national fraternity and good feeling at this particular point of time in the history of this union of independent States ; therefore, be it—

Resolved by the Senate, the Assembly concurring, That the Congress of the United States, and the legislative bodies of each of the several States of this Union, be, and they are hereby, invited to participate with us for the purpose of compiling a Consolidated Official Centennial Directory of the several branches of the General Government, and of the several State Governments of this Union, which said Consolidated Directory shall contain a complete list, with their autobiographies, of the members of the Executive, Judicial, Legislative, and the different heads of the Military and Naval Departments of General and State Governments of these United States for the year 1876.

Resolved by the Senate, the Assembly concurring, That with the concurrence of the several States, Congress be, and is